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JAMES SCHOOLCRAFT SHERMAN. The grim shadow has once more fallen across our national life, and on the eve of election, the country mourns the death of the Vice-President, James Schoolcraft Sherman. Men of all parties and of all faiths will feel his going as a less. The office of Vice-President is, despite light jests, a grave and responsible position, and to have its holder removed swiftly from an active and useful life is a cause for sincere regret. However widely political differences may carry the people of the United States apart, they have joined in admiration for the gentle good-nature and pleasant friendliness of this statesman whose smile won for him from a laughter-loving nation, the title of "Sunny Jim." He appealed to them as a man whose heart was sound and whose view of life was simple and wholesome. He cared for what the average man cares for, and while greater statesmen may have filled the vice-presidential chair, we doubt whether any of them ever won a finer

Mr. Sherman has served the country for a long term of years. In Congress he was the friend of Thomas B. Reed, and his personal popularity has been not a whit less real among Democrats than Republicans. That he held

title to respect than this seemingly

irreverent nickname.

The proper affiliation and co-ordientire system must be made continuous shall be done. and flexible, not broken or hampered by poor adjustment. For this reason ELECTORAL COLLEGE REFORM.

be mutually helpful. The university ers between the initial proposition as those of their party; the efforts to can advance no faster than it is per- to the system, and the time it came enjoin such action in the courts; the mitted to advance by the improvement from their hands, and was written into stimulus of the larger institution for the "modifications." He says in part, which may develop into a contest as their own progress. Together they ompose an organism whose strength is partly in the health of its members. The viction at first reliectantly conferred on way to Mr. Holcombe's theory and wonderful growth of high school facili- the office on the national legislature. plan, we have no hesitation in exwonderful growth of high school facilities in the past few years and the telling in joint ballot. To escape from pressing the opinion that his article is danger of cabal and corruption, it next transferred full and final power of an exceedingly interesting contributions, makes this conference hold should be the exact counterpart of the "Electoral College reform" now going

promise of fine things. theory, and yet in actual practice retheory, and yet in actual practice reslecting the biggest element of their
possible service. In all this admirabl
travel to the seat of government for
that single purpose or might be hinsiri graduate. What institution takes a received the first characters in the State feel
care of her? Two or three times as many girls finish the high schools as electoral office . . . the the do boys. This nice talk of affiliation arose that the electors might east and service sounds a trifle silly if no their votes in their ewn several States, provision is made for the bulk of the votes to the general legislatore." product. The educational system conducted by the people for their own be appointed was left to the Legisla-

training for serving democracy.

fel of Richmond people who had sense approaching nearest to the direct vote. stough to see it brought to the minds But those States

of those who for a few hours lived through the pages of Dicken's heart; melodrama, the question as to why great artist should have painted such silly and namby-pamby women. Even with the dignity and effectiveness of this production as a backing, the two female parts were ridiculous. They aroused pity for the men of the time who had to choose such weakling edition only...... 200 1.05 .80 .25 nice. Literary critics declare that the novelist could not draw the character of a young woman of birth and breed-We rather incline to the view that he drew them too well, and that they really were vaporish and senti-

It is a cheering comment upon ou more modern ideals that the lives of of 1893. women have expanded and taken on few interests outside the four walls of inating convention and plenary elecopinions, religion, and very words such bill as this: handed to her already carefully sterlized so her innocence might suffer no stain. She did her duty, and suffered from anemia of the spirit. She fainted for excitement, and embroid- the United States, and ered for recreation.

Naturally enough when Dickens deacter, it seems unreal and foolish to an age where even the silliest society woman has some vital interest, if it be nothing more than tennis or prize be nothing more than tennis or prize of to-day would be a more interesting of the to-day would be a more in lineates this hot-house type of char-So we regret that the virile pen of Dickens could not have made picturesque a few of the extravagances of modern feminism to prove that he knew both haives of life.

GREEK RED CROSS NEEDS AID.

We print elsewhere on this page the appeal of the Greek Red Cross Society the respect and confidence of his home | for help. No one has to be told of district was proved by the unanimity what the services of Red Cross nurses of his re-elections as Congressman and hospitals mean to sick and woundnine times. His deeds have been at- ed soldiers. The Red Cross alleviates tacked, but in every case his record suffering and ministers to the common remained unstained. He was a con-soldier as no other agency can hope pervative by nature and environment, to do. The probable bloody and cruel He believed that the old ways were nature of this war carried on with best, and his own abilities defended modern engines of destruction in a his convictions. But all his public mountainous and not highly developed achievements will be forgotten long country, should be an added reason for before the people he served will forget generous answer to this call. Regardthat he was a sunshiny and lovable less of creed or cause, nation or religion, the heart of the nation must respond to the necessity of the men THE HIGH SCHOOL AND UNIVERS- who are engaged in the futile business of bloodshed. There is a temptation to urge that the money be spent nation of the State University with its for preventing wars, rather than miti-then return to their respective States tributary feeders, the preparatory gating their present horrors, but the schools, is of profound importance to bitter folly of humanity is one more ceeding for which no amendment to an adjusticational system that recovers an educational system that proposes reason for pity and charity. We decry to offer a complete education to all war, but until the time of its disapstudents and to send them from one grade to the next with the least possible friction and waste of time. The do to save lives uselessly shattered standpoint, many reasons for thinking

the conference between the representa- The unusual complications and situatives of secondary schools in Virginia tions of the present presidential camand the president and faculty of the paign, the possibility of the elections be thrown into the House." an expe-University of Virginia, on Friday and being thrown into the House of Repre- dient which in the past proved both Saturday, should be productive of real sentatives-a most remote possibility, good to the entire State. Teachers happily-the apprehension of a gendfrom all accredited public and private lock in that body, and uncertaint; as high schools, and from those who are to the way out, have brought into working toward achieving the univers- preminent notice and discussion the ity standard will meet in informal dis- mutations and vicissitudes to which cussions of such vital problems as the our presidential elective system has high school course of study, the en- for one reason or another been subtrance requirement for the university, jected. To study these is historically Witness also the extreme peril of the and the problem of rural high schools, interesting, it may be politically in- Hayes-Tilden controversy. The pres-Too much weight cannot be attached structive. Bancroft, in his "History ent situation is very grave. and of the Constitution," gives one of the declarations of nominees friendly co-operation between the uni- best and clearest summaries of the States that, if chosen electors, they versity and the schools. They must changes that were made by the fath- will vote for candidates other than in schools, and the latter must depend the organic law, and of the reasons toral ticket: the projection of rival upon the inspiration and advice and and influences constraining them to tickets in the field, denote a confusion

promise of fine things.

But The Times-Dispatch would like Congress, in the representation of states, as well as population of the mixed fact of thinkers on the subject. to sak both university and high school States, and should meet at the seat that further legislation is needed in whether they are not a bit ridiculous of government. The cond-anticipation that some complication whether they are not a bit ridiculous of government. * True cond-anticipation that some complication in co-ordinating so very carefully in loody, thus established, the re-eigendum may arise in which the machinery we loody, thus established, the re-eigendum may arise in which the machinery we

children should provide higher educa- ture of such State, but here there has tion for women. If it does not, it is been considerable diversity of detail inefficient, lop-rided and uneconomical and numerous changes. In grouping We suggest to this conference that its some of these Andrews on the Conmain problem is what to do with the stitution quotes Lanman's "Dictionary girl and how to affiliate her with more of Congress." as follows: "The elenculture. a faller life and a nobler tors were first chosen by four different modes, viz.; By joint ballot of the VAPORISH VICTORIAN LADIES. vote of the two bympches of the Legis-The sumptuous centenary production lature, by the people of the State votof "Oliver Twist," so elaborately staged ing by general ticket, and by the peoand magnificently acted that it will ple voting in districts. The last mode remain a beautiful memory in the was evidently that which gave the lives of every one of the scanty hand- fairest expression of public opinion, by

being exposed to a division of their strength and neutralization of their vote, while the electors chosen by any one of the other methods voted in a body, on one side or the other, thus making the voice of their State decisively felt. This consideration in-duced the leading States of Massachu-setts and Virginia, which originally setts and Virginia, which originally duced the leading States of Massachusetts and Virginia, which originally partners for such stirring lives. As adopted the district system to aban-Dickens paints the early Victorian era, don it in 1800." On his own account the nice women were amiable fools. Andrews adds the informatory note and the interesting women not overly that in 1828 more than one-third of the States chose their electors by districts; that in South Carolina the choice was made by the Legislature until 1868; that by 1872 the mode by

In an article in the last number of colorings of culture and work that the Forum on "The Electoral College enable them to be both nice and in- and its Possibilities." John Walker teresting at once. The Victorian Holcombe argues for going back to gentlewoman led a narrow and un- first principles-especially the princi- Outside his office he's a princeeventful existence involving as its ends ple the fathers had in mind of constihousekeeping and maternity. She had tuting the Electoral College "the nomhome, and naturally her mind was tive agency of the nation." To such neither full nor flexible. She had her end he would have Congress pass some

general ticket had been adopted in

"To assist the presidential electors in the performance of their duties. "Whereas, the Constitution confers on the electors the full power to elect the President and Vice-President of

the United States, and
"Whereas, it was the original plan
of the authors of the Constitution that
the electors should assemble in one
place and perform their function as a
united body or college, but this plan
was changed by reason of the difficul-

"That the electors appointed in all the States shall assemble as the Electoral College within thirty days from their appointment, to confer respecting and to nominate suitable persons for the office of President and of Vice-President. They shall be allowed suitable compensation and provision for expenses, and such secretaries, clerks and of their assistants as they may find real town is getting almost as busy as Chicago.

Hi Higgins, our photographer, says few people take a good picture. Hank Tumms says he took a good one once down to the city in an art gallery, but they saw him and made him put it back. William Tibbitts borrowed Constable Hand's star to nail over a said other assistants as they may find real town is getting almost as busy as Chicago. and other assistants as they may find necessary, and appropriations shall be made therefor as for other expenses of the government. Nominations for the office of President or Vice-President of the state of the sta

tion. Such was, indeed, he adds, the tion. Such was, indeed, he adds, the perfect plan in its original form; they were to meet in convention and both choose and elect. Why not, he asks, solon have quite a metropolitan looking the traveling expense difficulty being no longer existent, or being made thing about having been in State's avoidable, let the electors be called prison. Nobody will ever give you a job when you get out. the Constitution is necessary, nor theoretically the enactment of any

his plan advisable and anticipates many possible complications he maintains it would avoid, but his chief and nace? perhaps most pertinent contention is that under it "the election need never unsatisfactory and perilous. Witness. he says, our narrow escape from the election of Aaron Burr, averted by the change of a single vote after many ballots; witness the deep chagrin of the growing majority at the defeat of General Jackson, engendering a bitterness which survived many years.

that tion to the debate on the question of ont convention of the two nodes of on. Moreover, in view of the recog-

is the dik-dik hunting in Africa will thought doubtless be as interesting as of yore.

> Balloon races would be a little more exciting if the balloons didn't get lost

The government observatory at Washington is distributing time with an error of only one-thousandth part a second in it. We now know what is the matter with trains we miss and friends who have engagements with us.

If the Turks could make the Serbs and Bolgs smoke some of the Turkish cigarettes made in the United States the war would be over in about two puffs.

On the Spur of the Moment

By Roy K. Moulton

The Weather Man.

When not concocting devilish schemes To pester us with weather, He is a charming man to meet-

He is a man of brilliant wit, He jokes and makes us smile, Goes to his office, pulls a plug, And lets it rain a while.

Delightful altogether.

every State, and that choice by dis-tricts was adopted in Michigan in 1891. but the system was repealed by an act

He says to keep the thin ones on
And then straightway doth go
Unto his shop and turns a switch
And lets a blizzard blow.

He is a smiling optimist, liis friends ne'er hear him sob. But he is sure a pessimist When he is on his job.

ems to be another case Of Jekyll and of Hyde.

From the Hickeyville Ciarlon.

Miss Euphenia Perkins has wrote a letter to President Taft and asked him to change the kind of stickum used on the postage stamps. She prefers vanilla or pineapple flavor, as lickin stamps has been her entire occupation since she has been tryin to get her latest poem published in one various magazines.

Old Man Bird tried to commit suicide the other day by taking a drink of milk, and all he got was fever and aggue. Must have been milk shake.

the office of President or vice-Fresident in any manner other than as herein prescribed shall be unlawful, and every person who shall attempt to effect such unlawful nominations shall be liable to a fine of not less than \$200 or imprisonment for not less than two months, or both."

The additional Hostetter's alman as and the members of the smart set and the members of policies set and the members of policies and the mem The writer recognizes that the Constitution requires the electors to meet and vote in their several States, but as he says, nowhere does it prohibit as he says, now he was a say as he says, now he says, now he says, now he says as he says as he says as he says. them from assembling for consulta- like a laughin' bynie at some circu or other.

> place. Bud Hicks says there is one good

The Evening Dialogue Voice (upstairs)—John, have from ocked the front door?

Yes. Put the cat out?

Have you wound the clock?

Have you been down cellar to smel for gas?

Yes. Have you taken care of the fur-

Have you covered the birdcage?

Have you brought in the hammock

Have you looked under the Daven

Have you put the milk bottles out

Have you fastened all the windows

Have you fixed the icewater?

Yes. Well, then, why don't you come to bed? What have you been doing all the time, anyhow?

The Modern Market List. (With due respect to the high cost of living.)

One-twelfth dozen lemons. One ounce bacon. One gill maple syrup.

One-sixth dozen eggs

One-half dozen potatoes.

One pennyweight butter.
One bushel turnips.
One hundred pounds corn meal.
One pinch granulated sugar.

soup bone.

Voice of the People

Teachers for Mountain Schools

To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch Sir.—Should "red tape" or a "tech-nicality" be a barrier to the education of Virginia children of our mounta sections? At Flat Top Yards, a small

Abe Martin



with over a hundred new members are spend the chamber of Commerce had better that can't vote. Nothin is ever said add on a couple of rooms and become about the sub-contractors on the average adopted it a real Richmond Castle of Commerce, age self-made man.

FOR IT'S HALLOWEEN! By John T. McCutcheon.

ight: 1910: By John T. McColoborn.)



Look Out for Conspiracios, Plots, Intrigues and Dark Doods Tonight!



town in Tazewell County, where there N, as Uncle John says, "Them miserly town in Tazewell County, where there are about fifty or sixty children of a school age, many of whom are anxious for a chance to attend school, there will be no school this year, because the only person applying for this particular school is not a teacher by profession and will not be granted a certificate to teach by the State board. The reason the board refuses was time for her to vote, the man, "Noff she'll go like a happy child, cause my ma taught me what is know—"Cause my ma taught me what is know—"I was the man, and the man was the ma board. The reason the board refuses to grant a certificate in this case is given out to be because the only diploma held by the applicant is a city high school diploma of 1993 date—this high school being said not to have met "the requirements for a high school certificate" at the time said di-

ploma was awarded.
This article is not written in the This article is not written in the interest of the applicant, but simply to acquaint the public with the "system" of the State board. The place is not worth squabbling for, as it pays only \$40 at best, and is in the heart of the mountains. The only motive the applicant has for caring to teach school there seems to be a sense of duty to the neglected children of the mountains. There is a comfortable building for school purposes in the village, and all that is wanting motive the applicant has for caring to take a sense of duty to the neglected children of the mountains. There is a compose in the viliage, and all that is wanting is a teacher. Has the State a right to deny these children an education on so small a "technicality." It is quite manifest that the young man applying for a teacher's certificate is qualified to instruct in the lower branches, but is unable to do so on account of not having a regular teacher's certificate.

Sirow

Till the bad has a mighty poor sorter show: Nhas to be mos' uncommon mean To get ahead of the good she's seen. Talk about rights, ma's won' em all That's worth the trouble to write or call. So courage, brothers, yes, one 'n all. In rocking the cradles we'll rule, the world.

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That's worth the trouble to write or call.

So courage. Brothers, yes, one 'n all.

That's worth the trouble to write or call we will rule. The world world will we will have a seen.

The source of the good she's seen.

The

teacher's certificate.

Is not the board straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel, when its system to protect children against inferior and unqualified teachers is heavily taxed already to Is not the board straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel, when its system to protect children against inferior and unqualified teachers is worked to such a degree that it shuts out many youths from the classroom dally growing larger, and the society and denies them any opportunity is becoming dependent to a very great whatever to obtain even a modest education in the very lowest branches?

gnt years, and yet he is disqualified teach neglected mountain children-this fair to those in search of edu-"COMMON SENSE."

Graham, Va.

Old-Peshlowed Man on Tog Days.

To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—I was much interested in an article in your issue of October 29,
"Tag Days Are Detestable," and I heartily agree with the writer. Most of us are willing to give to charity, but this tag day business is a perfect hold-up. Lam an old fore I know but here. heartily agree with the writer, all heartily agree willing to give to charity, but this tag day business is a perfect holdup. I am an old fogy I know, but how a refined young girl can stand on the street corner and in the front of public buildings and beg every kind of stranger for money, no matter for what worthy object, is beyond my comprehension. The matter ought to brought to the attention of our new and worthy Mayor, and some law passed to prohibit promiscuous begring of this sort.

While I am on the subject of reform, what is the matter with requiring storekeepers to have their sidewalks swept off before s o'clock in the morning? It is a nuisance that at the very time when all business men are going to work, we are compelled to breathe the dust and filth of street sweepings, and all because shopkeepers are not taught to do their duty.

taught to do their duty.

TUM-TUM.

I'm a little boy jes' ten years old today;
I'm "mother's hope" 'n father's joy;
Uncle John says I'm a "promisin" boy.
When I get to be a big man
I'll marry if I canBut if I marry a sustrin'gotto
I promin' you (I won't forgut)
To rule ber sur's I'm bown;
W let her hee, if she wants to, corn.
If feed the borne, 'n cours to, corn.
If feed the borne, 'n cours to, corn.
I'll feed the borne, 'n cours to, corn.
I'm feed the borne, 'n cours to, corn.

QUERIES&

Recently you made some reference to the origin of the name "Oregon Hill." Can you tell me how the locality came to be so called?

know—
'N pa votes like she wants him to,
('N he's a man both noble 'n strong.
Who'll fight for the right 'n 'fess up
when he's wrong,
'N so will I—I won't forget—
'Cause my own ma is the finest yet.
She loves a feller till he'll fight to do
Mos' whatever she wants him to;
'N she always wants him to do what's
right: to be so called?

Only that after 1804 there was much talk about the Oregon Territory as the most distant from Richmond of any region of the United States, and that the name was so applied to the cluster of houses then farthest from the centre of things here.

love's jes' got the keenes 'N her sight—
sight—
Talk about blind, no, love ain't b..nd.
'Cause my ma see's what's in your What was the former name of Mineral the post-office and station in Louisa County, Va.? When was the name changed.

It was Tolersville up to 1896 and Mineral City from that date to 1901.

Since then 't has been Mineral.

'Cause my ma see's what's in your mind—
She sees what's good 'n she makes that grow
Till the bad has a mighty poor sorter

out many youths from any opportunity and denies them any opportunity and denies them any opportunity and denies them any opportunity is becoming dependent of extent upon the aid of those who sympathize with the sufferers in this input of it seems like the subjugation of it seems like the sufferers in this input of the only person who is willing, so the Greek Red Cross in Athens, we make an earnest appeal to the general points of the people of the United States to send us contributions to enbeen in the newspaper business for able us to strengthen the important

and to assure its continuance. Small or large sums will be equally thank fully received. Every fully received. Every dollar neigh-Every contribution will be acknowl-edged by our treasurer. A. P. Raili, care Raili Bros., 15 William Street, New York City, to whom kind sub-seribers to our fund are requested to forward their remittance. Yours respectfully, D. X. BOTASSL.

Consul-General of Greece, Chairman C. PAPAMICHALOPOULOS, (Manager Panhellenic Union.)
A. P. RALIJ.
Treasurer and Secretary of Committee.



Kentucky River.

Please inform me where the Kentucky River rises and ends, and how long it is.

At the forks of the Cumberland Mountains in Kentucky, and flows into the Ohio. 300 miles

Can you give me the name and address of the secretary of the Teamsters' Union of the United States?

The official list for this year gives Thomas L. Hughes, 222 East Michigan Street, Indianapolis, Ind.

Can you give me the address of some

Curtiss Aeroplane Co., Hammondi port. N. Y. Richmond Aeroplane Co. Mutual Building, Richmond, Va.

Will you give me the names of the homes for old ladies in Richmond, at tell me what their regulations are?
FRIEND.

St. Paul's Church Hon lome for Ladies. the Home for Ladies the Com Women's Home are the three p institutions of the sort you i There is not space to give the lations" here, but you can fl about such things lations" here, but you about such things by writhe "homes." Richmond, sufficient address.

ANSWERS



NATIONAL STATE & CITY BANK IIII EAST MAIN

MONEY TALKS NUMBER 8

Credit depends upon confidence that the debtor will be able and willing to meet his obligations, and consequently if anything occurs to destroy this confidence, there will be a general, though usually unwarranted demand for immediate payment, often leading to panic.

"The savings era is due; such a national movement should be encourage the greatest safeguard against punic and revolution."—J. Fierpost Morgan